

## **Article I. Name of Student Organization**

The organization shall be called “The Climbing Team” at UC San Diego

## **Article II. Statement of Purpose**

Our mission in the Climbing Team at UC San Diego is to create a diverse community of climbers from all backgrounds and skill levels who are advocates for all aspects of climbing—from community to environmentalism to competitions—so they can empower themselves and others to advocate for the betterment of the sport.

## **Article III. Nonprofit Statement**

The Climbing Team at UC San Diego is a non-profit student organization.

## **Article IV. Requirements for Membership**

The Climbing Team at UC San Diego does not assess any fees. The focal point of our organization is the competitive climbing team but non-competitive members are also welcome. All skill levels allowed. Students that wish to join must contribute in the form of attending practices and regularly participating in meetings and discussions of team functions. Interested students should visit the Climbing Team at UC San Diego Instagram page and Discord and join through the links described there. A list of all members’ requirement adherence and overall participation will be made public once per quarter. All members are required to have valid student status at UC San Diego. Climbing is an immensely social sport. Members must be respectful of each other at all times or risk being taken off the team permanently. If uncivil and disrespectful behavior is made aware of, leadership will in good faith try to remedy the situation, or bring it through the appropriate channels.

## **Article V. Frequency of Organization Meetings**

Practices will be held off-campus three times a week and competitions will be held on-campus at the Outback Climbing Center. Attendances will be taken for practices and competitions. Attendance requirements to maintain membership will be assessed and posted publicly on a quarterly basis (on the approximate scale of meeting twice weekly).

## **Article VI. Qualifications for Holding Office and Methods of Selecting and Replacing Officers**

Only registered UCSD students may hold office in the organization. Only registered UCSD students may vote in elections for the selection of the organization’s officers.

There are six officers on the leadership board for the organization, their titles and duties are as follows:

- ❖ Co-Captain (two members) -
  - Creates and implements training and exercise plans
  - Coordinates general administration of team’s functions
  - Appoints subsequent years’ captains
- ❖ Coach
  - Works with the captains to create an engaging training plan for team practices
  - Coaches the team through exercises
  - Must attend every practice

- ❖ Sponsorship Chair
  - Contacts brands to maintain and secure sponsorships
- ❖ Social Chair
  - Coordinates social events for the team
  - Coordinates climbing trips and crag clean ups
- ❖ Team Manager
  - Provides accountability and oversight for rest of leadership
  - Manages roster, waitlist, and discord roles

The officers will constitute an executive committee in charge of the core functions and responsibilities of the team. Future officers will be appointed by existing officers based on display of dedication and commitment to the team and through assessment of applications filled out for their desired roles. Elected Officers will go through at least one formal interview, and will hold that position until the following school year. Newly elected officers will take the position at the start of Fall Quarter. Officers may be asked to forfeit their positions due to the following reasons: lack of regular activity within the team, showing disrespect for teammates, or fellow officers. If said officer refuses, the executive committee can hold an anonymous vote, to be run by an impartial third party, amongst the principal members, where a majority makes the decision. If there are any complaints about officers or other fellow teammates, members may file an anonymous note submitted through a form made public on the organization's media (Instagram and Discord).

## **Article VII. Risk Management**

The Climbing Team at UC San Diego is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. The Climbing Team at UC San Diego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

There are safety precautions taken at climbing gyms to specifically ensure a climber's safety, limiting injuries to just minor scrapes and bruises. When competing, USA Climbing holds competitions at various large indoor climbing gyms. These climbing gyms have safety waivers for their participants to sign and assume a certain amount of liability in the event of injury, not limited to the authorization of medical treatment. Members are assumed to take responsibility for the risks incurred by participation in the activities described by the Climbing Team at UC San Diego's function. Members will understand that climbing requires immense responsibility and respect, and has certain inevitable risks. Our training program and extensive knowledge of the sport will help mitigate these risks.